

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments, and for the reasons that follow. Claim 25 is canceled by this reply. Claims 2, 14, 24 and 26 are amended. The indication of allowable subject matter in claims 1-17, 19-24, 26-30 and 32-37 is noted, with appreciation.

OBJECTION TO THE DRAWING; REJECTION OF CLAIM 25

The drawing is objected to for failing to illustrate certain features that are recited in claim 25. Office Action, ¶ 1. Claim 25 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, 1st ¶, for lacking support for these features in the specification. Office Action, ¶ 3. Claim 25 has been canceled, so the objection and rejection are now moot.

OBJECTION TO THE SPECIFICATION

The specification is objected to for failing to provide proper antecedent basis for the “metallised user responsive contacts of transparent metal oxide film or thin metal film bonded on the panel-form member,” recited in claim 29. Office Action, ¶ 2. Applicant respectfully disagrees, as these features are clearly described on pp. 6-7 of the specification, specifically on p. 7, lines 3-8. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection are respectfully requested.

REJECTION OF CLAIM 24

Claim 24 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, 2nd ¶, as indefinite for reciting the phrase “or the like.” Office Action, ¶ 4. This phrase has now been deleted from claim 24, so the rejection is not moot.

AMENDMENTS TO CLAIMS 2, 14 AND 26

Claims 2, 14 and 26 are amended by deleting the word “resonant” from the phrase “resonant panel-form loudspeaker” so as to be consistent with the phrase “panel-form loudspeaker” recited in the other claims.

CONCLUSION

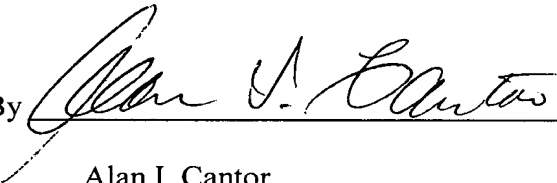
The present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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